

Appl. No. 10/006,452
Resp. dated Oct. 28, 2005

Reply to Office Action of Oct. 20, 2005

REMARKS

The October 20, 2005 Non-Final Office Action allowed claims 1-19, 31-34, 37 and 38, and rejected previously allowed claims 39-56. This Response cancels claims 39-56.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §102

Claims 39-41, 44-47 and 50-56 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,359,892 issued to Szlam. Applicant hereby cancels claims 39-56.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §103

Claims 42, 43, 48 and 49 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Szlam in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,651,054 issued to Dunn et al. Applicant hereby cancels claims 39-56.

Allowable Subject Matter

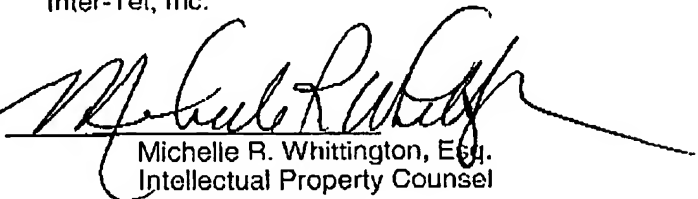
The Non-Final Office Action indicates claims 1-19, 31-34 and 38 are allowed over the prior art of record.

CONCLUSION

After entrance of this Amendment, claims 1-19, 31-34, 37 and 38 remain pending in the application, which are indicated as ALLOWABLE by the Examiner. Applicant respectfully requests issuance of a timely Notice of Allowance. Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the above in greater detail, then the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience.

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